Welcome from the Council President

In these difficult times, our families and children are confronted with increased pressures and challenges in their lives. Covid-19, political discord and social conflicts have added significant stressors upon us all, the Courts included. It is the responsibility of the Juvenile Court Judges of the State of Georgia to meet these challenges and to continue to assist our families, youth and the communities in which they live. I am pleased to say that the Juvenile Courts of Georgia are meeting these challenges with vigor, dedication and professionalism. As President of the Council of Juvenile Court Judges, it is my professional and personal responsibility to assist all of our State Juvenile Court Judges to meet these challenges that we have all chosen to accept.

Public service is indeed an honor, as well as a solemn responsibility. I can assure you that it is not taken lightly by any of those who serve in our Juvenile Courts. Many people do not realize how extensive our responsibilities are. The State® Juvenile Courts not only handle delinquency cases (children who violate the laws of the State), our Juvenile Judges adjudicate and supervise dependency cases (Foster Care cases), Guardianship transfers from the probate courts, Custody cases from the superior courts, cases involving children in need of services, traffic offenses and emancipation cases. Our Judges serve not only by wearing their robes and sitting on the bench to make rulings. Our Judges engage and are pro-active in many community outreach programs and extra-curricular services to help our families and children remain safe, to thrive and to succeed. We do it not so much as a job® but as a ®special calling.®

Thus, to me, it is not only and Honor, but a privilege to serve as President of the Council of Juvenile Court Judges of Georgia. I pledge to do my best to continue the tradition of leadership of this council and to support our Juvenile Court Judges to help the children, families and citizens of this State to achieve safe and successful lives and to become contributing law-abiding citizens in each of their communities.

On behalf of our 158 judges, our director, and staff, I welcome and thank you for your interest in the Council of Juvenile Court Judges of Georgia.

Judge C. Gregory Price

Chief Presiding Judge, Rome Judicial Circuit President, Council of Juvenile Court Judges